

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

5 a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows,

a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed,

10 a detecting means for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

a first display controlling means for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window displayed on said first display area or a window displayed on a forefront by said detecting means, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

15 2. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a second display controlling means for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on the forefront on said first display area by said detecting means, the window corresponding to the selection area on said first display area or on the forefront on said first display area.

20 3. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a third display controlling means for displaying, when it is determined that a second predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a

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window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on the forefront on said first display area by said detecting means, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

5 4. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

 a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows,

 a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined
10 window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or said plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed,

 a detecting means for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

15 a third display controlling means for displaying, when it is determined that a second predetermined input is performed at a display position of a selection area corresponding to a window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on a forefront on said first display area by said detecting means, the window corresponding
20 to the selection area on said second display area.

 5. An information processing apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising a first display controlling means for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window displayed on said first display area or the window displayed on the forefront by said
25 detecting means, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display

area.

6. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein said detecting means detects an input to an arbitrary position of said second display area, and

5 further comprising a setting means for setting, when a window is displayed on said second display area by said first display controlling means or said third display controlling means, the window to an inputable state from said detecting means.

7. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 6, further comprising a fourth display controlling means for displaying, when it is
10 determined that a predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to the window displayed on said second display area, the window corresponding to the selection area of the forefront on said first display area.

8. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 7, further comprising a fifth display controlling means for displaying, in a case that said
15 window is displayed on said second display area and when it is determined that other window is being displayed on said second display area, the other window on the forefront on said first display area.

9. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein said detecting means detects said predetermined input on the basis of the input
20 data from a touch panel which is not set on said first display area but set on said second display area.

10. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein said storing means stores data to display a basic input window to be displayed on said second display area, and

25 further comprising a basic display controlling means for displaying said basic

input window on said second display area when no window to be displayed on said second display area is present.

5 11. An information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 10, further comprising a generating means for, when a predetermined coordinates input is performed to said window displayed on said second display area, generating data to display a new window and data to display a new selection area, and storing the generated data in said storing means by bringing them into correspondence with each other, and
a selection area display controlling means for displaying said selection area generated by said generating means on said second display area.

10 12. An information processing program of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or said plurality of
15 windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed, causing a processor of said information processing apparatus to execute

a detecting step for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

20 a first display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window displayed on said first display area or a window displayed on a forefront by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

25 13. A storage medium storing an information processing program of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a

plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed, wherein

said information processing program causes a processor of said information processing apparatus to execute

a detecting step for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

a first display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window displayed on said first display area or a window displayed on a forefront by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

14. A window controlling method of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed, further including:

a detecting step for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

a first display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a first predetermined input is performed within a selection area corresponding to a window

displayed on said first display area or a window displayed on a forefront by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

5 15. An information processing program of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed, causing a processor of said information
10 processing apparatus to execute

a detecting step for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

a third display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a second predetermined input is performed at a display position of a selection area corresponding
15 to a window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on a forefront on said first display area by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

20 16. A storage medium storing an information processing program of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner,
25 and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed,

wherein

said information processing program causes a processor of said information processing apparatus to execute

5 a detecting step for detecting an input to display positions on said plurality of selection areas, and

a third display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a second predetermined input is performed at a display position of a selection area corresponding to a window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on a forefront on said first display area by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.

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17. A window controlling method of an information processing apparatus comprising a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows, and a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed, including:

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a detecting step for detecting an input to a display position of said plurality of selection areas, and

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a third display controlling step for displaying, when it is determined that a second predetermined input is performed at a display position of a selection area corresponding to a window which is not displayed on said first display area and said second display area or a window a part of which is hidden under the window displayed on a forefront on said first display area by said detecting step, the window corresponding to the selection area

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on said second display area.

18. An information processing apparatus, comprising:

a storing means for storing data to display a plurality of windows and data to display a plurality of selection areas which are respectively corresponded to said plurality of windows,

a display means for including a first display area on which only a predetermined window out of the plurality of windows is displayed or the plurality of windows are displayed in an overlapping manner, and a second display area on which said plurality of selection areas are displayed,

a detecting means for detecting an input to display positions of said plurality of selection areas, and

a first display controlling means for displaying, when a predetermined input is performed within said selection area by said detecting means, the window corresponding to the selection area on said second display area.